

2009-2011 TECHNOLOGY-BASED ENTREPRENEURSHIP GRANT APPLICATION
NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
SFN 59488 (4-10)

A. Requesting Entrepreneurial Center

Name of Requesting Entrepreneurial Center		Project Title		
Amount of Request		Amount of Leverage Funds		
Contact Name		Title or Position		
Address		City	State	Zip
Telephone Number	Fax Number	Email Address		

Essential Qualifying Factors:

1. The applicant must be certified as an entrepreneurial center by the North Dakota Department of Commerce. Certification forms are available at <http://www.business.nd.gov/forms/certification-forms/>.
2. The applicant must work with entrepreneurs or potential entrepreneurs that have a technology focus.
3. Although a specific match is not required, leveraged funds are desirable and will be taken into consideration in determining which applications are approved.

B. Signature of Applicant

Please sign below to indicate your approval.

Authorized Signature	Date
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C. Proposal Description

<p>1. General description of the project and how grant funds will be used.</p>
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2. Proposals shall include a description of the technology or how this proposal will be focused on technology-based entrepreneurs.

3. Describe how the proposal seeks to assist entrepreneurs in one or more of the following areas: accessing capital, marketing assistance, entrepreneur infrastructure, or entrepreneurial talent.

4. Describe the desired results of the project or program including both the short and long term (beyond two years) results.

a) Short Term Results

b) Long Term Results

5. Describe the method and metrics that will be used to measure the results of the project or program.

D. Funding Request – Required Information

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E. Proposal Submission

Please submit proposals electronically to Justin Dever (jdever@nd.gov) at the North Dakota Department of Commerce.

F. Process/Time-line:

See last page of application for the time-line.

G. Grant Agreements

Any successful proposals will be required to enter into a grant agreement prior to receiving any funds. This grant agreement will include a statement of the recipient's responsibilities and actions the Department of Commerce may take if the recipient does not comply with state law or their responsibilities outlined in the agreement.

**TIME-LINE FOR TECHNOLOGY-BASED ENTREPRENEURSHIP GRANT
PROGRAM DURING THE 2009-2011 BIENNIUM
April 1, 2010**

\$250,000 will be available to be awarded each round.

Round 1

April 1, 2010: Application form forwarded to entrepreneurial centers and posted online.

April 30, 2010: Deadline for submission of proposals to be considered during the spring 2010 round of applications.

May, 2010: Screening committee reviews proposals and makes recommendations to the Commissioner of Commerce. The Commissioner of Commerce will act on the recommendations.

Round 2

July 1, 2010: Application form forwarded to entrepreneurial centers and posted online.

July 30, 2010: Deadline for submission of proposals to be considered during the summer 2010 round of applications.

August, 2010: Screening committee reviews proposals and makes recommendations to the Commissioner of Commerce. The Commissioner of Commerce will act on the recommendations.

Round 3

October 1, 2010: Application form forwarded to entrepreneurial centers and posted online.

October 31, 2010: Deadline for submission of proposals to be considered during the fall 2010 round of applications.

November, 2010: Screening committee reviews proposals and makes recommendations to the Commissioner of Commerce. The Commissioner of Commerce will act on the recommendations.

Round 4

January 1, 2011: Application form forwarded to entrepreneurial centers and posted online.

January 30, 2011: Deadline for submission of proposals to be considered during the winter 2011 round of applications.

February, 2010: Screening committee reviews proposals and makes recommendations to the Commissioner of Commerce. The Commissioner of Commerce will act on the recommendations.